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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Deena Sheppard-Johnson, SR-6J Remedial Enforcement Support Section 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604

Ref: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site Elyria, Ohio

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson,

Thank you for returning my phone call on Friday, March 9th. This letter will confirm our discussion that it is THE ROWLAND CO's opinion that they are not involved with the above mentioned site.

To the best of our knowledge THE ROWLAND CO has never had any business relationships with Harshaw Chemical, Obitis Chemical Co. or Chemical Recovery Systems. As distributors of truck parts, engine parts and currently power transmission components, THE ROWLAND CO has never generated any solvents or been involved in the transportation of solvents.

I did notice that in attachment 8, we are listed as Rowland Products-Wilson Freight. This is a name we have never had any connection with nor do we recognize. Additionally, all the Pennsylvania companies listed seem to be located in the far Western part of the state. None are even remotely connected to Eastern Pennsylvania, where we are located.

Should you have any information contrary to the above, please forward it to my attention for the appropriate investigation and action.

Again, thank-you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

S.D. Yost

President



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